

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Arlington Planning Department, 730 Mass Ave, Arlington MA, c/o Laura Wiener

To: Board of Selectmen

From: Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

Subject: INFORMATION: Crosswalk at Herbert Road and Lake Street

Date: 14 April 2012

A resident has requested that a marked crosswalk be added parallel to Lake Street across Herbert Road at the intersection, to continue the existing sidewalks east and west of the intersection. Herbert runs one-way into Lake Street, and is controlled by a stop sign. Lake Street is not controlled. This is *NOT* a request for a crosswalk across Lake Street.

Investigation (2012) revealed

- Handicap ramps already exist at the proposed location.
- Although we have no pedestrian counts along this sidewalk, one would expect substantial usage, due to the proximity of Hardy School, the bus stop at Mass / Lake and the Capitol Square business district. The request came from a Hardy School parent.
- Six state-reported motor vehicle crashes at or near the Lake/Herbert intersection in the 5 years between 2005 and 2009.
- The intersection already has stop-sign control. No engineering study is needed to install a stop bar and crosswalk.

On April 11, 2012, the TAC voted unanimously to **install a stop bar and marked crosswalk across Herbert Road at the intersection with Lake Street.** Since this simply reinforces an existing regulation (the stop sign facing Herbert at Lake), no action by the Selectmen is required. The principal of the Hardy School has been notified of this change.

Respectfully submitted, Scott Smith – Lead



Figure 1 Area map plus close up with proposed crosswalk and stop bar